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The real face of Waltham Forest

Spirited residents respond to disturbances by showing the truer side of Waltham Forest



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In my opinion

Syeda Tasmia Tahia

Student, Leytonstone



In light of the recent disturbances in London, I want to write and make a plea to other young people.

The disturbances have had a major effect on many people's lives. Although rioters say that they wanted to attack high profile retailers, it has equally hurt normal people and their families. For some it has meant the loss of a job or loss of income in the already recession-hit economy and job market.

As a student of economics, the riots make me fear there will be an impact on the economy, which is already under threat of a double-dip following global market failures.

But, above all, I worry about the effect it has had on the image of London. We are less than a year away from hosting the greatest sporting extravaganza on earth: the Olympic Games.

For those of us who are closely involved the Olympics mean hope. It is a dream come true; the biggest thing that could possibly happen to us in our lifetime. It is a source of pride for all of us, whether you are an Olympic Youth Ambassador like me, a Young Games Maker, a volunteer or above all; a Londoner.

"Show the world to have faith in London."

With the world's eyes on London it is truly painful for me to hear the doubts about London's hosting abilities, which have been quite widespread in the global media following the riots. Many international newspapers even published headlines like "London on Fire".

We have all worked towards these 18 days of glory. Compare what the area of East London was like in 2007 to the great Olympic Park we have now. Everyone can, and should, be proud of that transformation.

When I recently went inside the Aquatics Centre to celebrate the "One Year to Go" event, my eyes sparkled at the brilliance of the transformation.

Now, thinking that someone's greed for a pair of trainers would see all our efforts go to waste makes my heart ache.

Please! I urge those who were involved to apologise for their actions and to make amends. Show the world to have faith in London. Let us all take pride and responsibility as happy Londoners in making the London 2012 Olympic Games a success.

Don't let the actions of a few overshadow our brilliant communities.

Want to have your say?

If you live or work in Waltham Forest, have something you'd like to get off your chest, and can do it in around 300 words; Waltham Forest News wants to hear from you. Email the Editor at: walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk and tell us what you'd like to write about.



Around 70 businesses in Waltham Forest were affected during the disturbances

Night of disorder

- Disturbances in Waltham Forest included looting and damage
- Swift police action stopped the problem becoming worse

The disorder that flared in various parts of London two weeks ago touched Waltham Forest on the evening of Sunday 7 August, with over 70 businesses suffering from damage. Some shops were looted and a number of local people have been arrested.

In all, over 1,000 people have now been charged in connection with the disorder across London and over 700 additional individuals have been arrested. As well as the damage, 237 police officers were injured as a result of the violence that broke out across the capital.

While there were issues in both the north and south of the

borough, Walthamstow town centre was subjected to the worst of the trouble. Thanks to swift action and good information, police were able to contain the problems relatively quickly and thankfully – unlike elsewhere in London – fires

were not set by the vandals.

In addition to the action taken by police, Council street cleaners and other staff were also out in force, ensuring debris was cleared from the streets and that any potential weapons were removed. Skips

were removed, roadworks suspended and potentially dangerous materials removed from the streets.

The increased police presence saw 200 officers on the streets of Waltham Forest in the days following the initial night of disturbance. Senior Council officers and councillors were also out and about around the borough, visiting businesses and providing reassurance to residents.

Fact file

- Over 1,000 people have now been charged in connection with the disorder across London and over 1,700 arrested.
- Around 70 businesses in the borough were affected by the disturbances.
- At the height of the tension 200 police officers were on the streets of the borough.
- Anyone with information about the disorder, or who would like to pass images or footage to the police, should contact the Metropolitan Police Major Investigation Team on 020 8345 4142 or phone Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.
- For more information visit the Met Police website at <http://content.met.police.uk/Home>

More info

For more information on the community safety visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/safety or phone 020 8496 3000.

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A group of Waltham Forest police officers get ready to start a shift during the disturbances

Bouncing back

- Community responds to local tension in strong, spirited manner
- Regular web updates helped keep residents informed and up-to-date

While Waltham Forest shares many traits and challenges with neighbouring boroughs such as Hackney and Enfield, the events here were thankfully less severe than elsewhere.

While the Council would never downplay the damage or disruption to local businesses and livelihoods, we believe that things could have been far worse and that decisive police and community action meant our community could swiftly bounce back.

The borough's hard-working local police officers were quick to act, swiftly bringing the trouble on Walthamstow

High Street to a halt and risking very real danger in Chingford, where two officers were hit by a speeding car driven by fleeing looters. The community, too, was swift to rally, with community partners involved with the gang prevention project responding to local unrest by reassuring their communities and helping diffuse neighbourhood tensions.

After the disorder had been quelled and the clean-up effort had begun in earnest it wasn't long before residents began showing what a resilient bunch they are, adopting a 'business as usual' attitude and in many cases

demonstrating community spirit in its truest form.

A volunteer-run respite centre for the emergency services was set up at the St Marys Church Welcome Centre (see page 11 for more details) while on Wednesday 10 August the Potter's House Christian Fellowship organised a public gathering at the former Arcade site in Walthamstow to show their support for the police and the wider community. More than 200 people attended the event, which included councillors, faith representatives and local police.

The extra police presence on the streets of Waltham

Forest for the week following the unrest was undeniable, and as well as helping to prevent further disturbances also lent the community a much-appreciated sense of safety and reassurance. In a further bid to help residents feel safer, the Council organised community events in Chingford, Walthamstow and Leyton, sending out its crime prevention bus along with Council staff, police officers and community groups to offer advice and reassurance.

Recognising the fact that local businesses were the ones hardest hit, Council Leader Chris Robbins and Borough Commander Steve Wisbey – at times accompanied by Waltham Forest Chief Executive Martin Esom, MP for Leyton and Wanstead John Cryer and local councillors – paid visits to some of the 72 affected shops in Walthamstow, Chingford, Leyton and Leytonstone in the days after the disorder to offer their support and hear shopkeepers' concerns.

Get connected: info online

While neighbouring boroughs struggled to keep their residents informed and dubious rumours circulated on Twitter, Waltham Forest Council's website was updated twice a day with reliable information from the police and the community. This covered the events themselves, how the

Council was responding to them and, most importantly, what the police were doing to make sure the borough's streets were safe and residents could go about their daily lives.

In addition to keeping the website updated regularly, messages were also sent to all Council staff and to partner organisations such as Ascham Homes, the NHS and the voluntary and community sector to ensure credible, up-to-date information could be circulated as widely as possible.

While events like these are incredibly rare, in difficult or challenging times residents should visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk for reliable, up-to-the-minute information and advice that they know they can trust whether it's trouble on the streets or severe weather conditions.



Leader's view

Cllr Chris Robbins

Leader - Waltham Forest Council



In the past two weeks we have seen some of the best and, regrettably, some of the worst of our borough.

I know that, like me, all sections of our community were

disgusted by the random acts of robbery and criminal destruction perpetrated by a handful of mindless thugs. It is clear that this has nothing to do with the vast majority of residents, but was merely an exercise in violence and vandalism.

While we thankfully didn't see the same kinds of clashes as other London boroughs, there were nevertheless thefts, acts of criminal damage and a number of injuries in Walthamstow, Chingford and Leyton. It is estimated that around 70 businesses were affected.

The police have been in constant contact with us over the past two weeks.

Our own strong police presence not only deterred any substantial disorder, but reassured residents. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Borough Commander Steve Wisbey and our hardworking police colleagues for their swift and decisive action in dealing with these incidents.

The people who volunteered to keep police fed, organised community events and thanked police and council officers for their hard work highlighted exactly what our borough is about – people coming together and working tirelessly in our community to make Waltham Forest a better place.

You can read about the Council, police and community response to the disorders throughout this edition of Waltham Forest News.

It is important that we carry on with business as usual and the Council is offering support to any local businesses who might have been hit particularly hard.

The Council has been working on the issue of gangs for some time now. While they do not affect everyone, some of our residents lives are made a misery by gangs. We have been running an innovative gangs prevention programme since January this year, and you can read more about this on page 10.

I would like to thank the thousands of young people who did not get involved in the violence or disruption, and who showed support for our police and the community at large.

I urge anyone with any information on any of the crimes in our borough to contact Crimestoppers - anonymously if need be - on 0800 555 111 or online at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Get involved

I'd like to hear from you. I have a page on the website where you can get more information and email me www.walthamforest.gov.uk/leader and you can write to me at the town hall.

In brief

Walthamstow Stadium consultation

Due to significant public interest in the Walthamstow Stadium planning application, the period for public consultation has been extended until the end of August 2011. Responses received after 31 August will still be taken into account, if possible, up until a decision is made. You can view the planning application on the Council website, or from Monday to Friday, during office hours at the Planning Reception at Sycamore House Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, Walthamstow.

• For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/walthamstow-greyhound-stadium or phone 020 8496 3000 and ask to speak to the duty planning officer.

Register to vote

Residents should recently have received a voter registration form through their letterboxes, and are being reminded to fill it in and sent it back as soon as possible. If your details have not changed you can simply phone, send a text message or use the internet to confirm that they are still correct. The website, telephone and text numbers are located at the top right hand side of your form along with your unique security codes and passwords. If you have not received a voter registration form, you should contact the Electoral Registration Officer as soon as possible. It is important that you complete and return the registration form as soon as possible so you're able to take part in any upcoming elections.

• For more information about registering to vote visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/elections or phone 020 8496 3000.

The 'small c' campaign

The NHS has launched a campaign alerting people to the warning signs of cancer. Waltham Forest residents are statistically less likely to recognise the symptoms of breast and lung cancer, meaning they are more likely to be diagnosed when the cancer has reached an advanced stage and is more difficult to treat. Waltham Forest GP Dr Martin Huddart said: "Tragically too many in Waltham Forest don't know the warning signs of cancer. We want to see local people straight away if they have any warning signs of lung and breast cancer." Spotting cancer saves lives and the 'small c' campaign will help people recognise symptoms at the early stages of cancer so they can be quickly and effectively treated. Lung and breast cancer symptom checkers are being distributed to GP surgeries, pharmacies and through the small c website.

• For more information visit www.smallc.org.uk. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Walthamstow Area Action Plans

Residents are being asked to have their say on documents which set out the Council's long term plans for Walthamstow Town Centre and Blackhorse Lane. The draft Area Action Plans show how the two areas should develop over the next 15 to 20 years. The proposals for the town centre include new affordable homes, improved traffic movements, new shops and leisure and entertainment facilities. Blackhorse Lane will have new housing and shops, business units for creative industries, better access to the Lee Valley Park and Walthamstow reservoirs and improved pedestrian crossings. You can make comments about the Area Action Plans until Friday 30 September 2011. Council officers will also be on hand at Walthamstow Library between 4-6pm on Wednesday 31 August and Wednesday 28 September to speak to residents about the plans.

• To view the documents www.walthamforest.gov.uk/ldf or phone 020 8496 3000.



The proposals set out changes to the way the borough's libraries will operate

Have your say on libraries

- Changes to library service proposed as Council seeks to meet savings targets
- Residents asked for feedback and views on proposals

Residents are being encouraged to have their say on the future of Waltham Forest's libraries and comment on a set of proposals by the Council.

The proposals come as part of the Council's plans to save £65million over the next four years in the face of increased demand on vital services such as social care.

The Council has said that no service will go untouched while savings are found, and the library proposals would take the Council that much closer to its target.

In their current format, the plans would lead to £750,000 worth of year-on-year savings while also curbing the service's annual £250,000 overspend; producing savings of £1million each year.

To reach the £1million figure, the plans suggest

closing two libraries – those in South Chingford and Harrow Green – while eight would remain open. Of those eight, the libraries in each of the borough's main town centres (North Chingford, Walthamstow, Leyton and

a better offer for residents who don't regularly visit their local library.

The libraries in Highams Park, Wood Street, Higham Hill and Lea Bridge will be known as 'Library Locals' and open for 30 hours a

sure these proposals take into account the needs of the local community.

"We believe that these proposals offer a comprehensive, high-quality and affordable library service that will meet our residents' many needs and secure the long-term future of our libraries."

The Council is asking for residents' feedback on the proposals, and you have until Friday 9 September to have your say.

"We believe these proposals offer a comprehensive, high-quality and affordable library service that will meet our residents' needs."

Leytonstone) would become known as 'Library Plus' branches. These Library Plus branches would then be open seven days a week and see their opening hours increase.

Under the proposals, each Library Plus location would also offer residents more by way of advice, information and access to council services, meaning

week. Both Library Plus and Library Local branches will offer improved technology facilities, providing internet access, and better library stock.

Waltham Forest's Cabinet Member for Leisure, Arts and Culture, Cllr Geraldine Reardon, told Waltham Forest News: "We've carried out a great deal of work and careful analysis to make

More info

To find out more, and to have your say, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/library-review or pop into your local library for a paper copy of the documents. Free internet access is available at all Waltham Forest libraries

Festival fun

- Thousands of residents enjoy Council's summer festivals
- There's still plenty of free fun on offer until the end of 2011



Visitors to the Young Peoples Caribbean Carnival were wowed by the colourful costumes on display

Waltham Forest has seen an action packed summer, with thousands of people enjoying the Council's annual free festivals.

Events got under way on Sunday 26 June with the annual Tour de Waltham Forest. People of all ages took part in guided two-wheeled tours of the borough and enjoyed bike

demonstrations and children's entertainment.

Opera lovers watched a live broadcast of Madam Butterfly from Covent Garden's Royal Opera House on Walthamstow's big screen on Monday 4 July, while Leyton's Young Peoples Caribbean Carnival on Sunday 10 July saw young and old coming together to

celebrate Caribbean culture with colourful costumes and music.

Arts in the Park at Langthorne Park on Sunday 17 July, offered art exhibitions and a live performance by jazz legend Courtney Pine.

Vibrant colours and flavours filled Chestnut Field in Walthamstow as Mela came to town on Sunday 24 July. This lively annual celebration of Asian culture included delicious food, an art festival and live entertainment.

Chingford Day Dance Festival on Sunday 31 July saw groups and schools perform dances from around the world, a fun fair and children's entertainment.

There are still plenty more events to enjoy before the end of the year.

On Sunday 11 September

Leyton Day will offer live bands, entertainment and an exotic African market.

Car Free Day on Sunday 18 September will see all roads in Leytonstone Town Centre closed to traffic, as families take to the streets for a French Market and stage entertainment.

Langthorne Park opens its gates to art and performances with a theme of light at Light up Langthorne Park on Saturday 1 October.

Finally, Saturday 5 November will see the return of the annual Fireworks Night at Waltham Forest Town Hall.

More info

For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/leisure or phone 020 8496 3000.

In brief

E17 Art Trail guide

The seventh annual E17 Art Trail will return to Walthamstow from Saturday 3 to Sunday 11 September and to celebrate the forthcoming London 2012 Games this year's theme is 'On your marks'. The trail will include 260 exhibitions at 160 venues; with over 1200 artists displaying their work. The trail guide, which lists every exhibition and a handy map to help guide you round the trail, is now available to download from the E17 Art Trail website. You can also pick up a paper copy from selected shops, pubs and cafes in Walthamstow. The trail will include arts and crafts, film, photography, painting, drawing, etching and much more.

- To download your guide visit www.e17arttrail.co.uk.
- Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Perform at 2012 Games

The London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympics Games (LOCOG) is searching for 10,000 adult volunteer performers to take part in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies of the London 2012 Olympic Games. Dancers, actors, percussionists and all-round performers are being sought. Applicants must be able to attend up to two auditions that will take place in November and December this year. If selected they must attend two or three rehearsals each week from March 2012. Previous performance experience is not required. The deadline for applications is Wednesday 31 August. You must be aged 18 or over on 1 March 2012. Only one application per person will be accepted.

- To find out more visit www.london2012.com/ceremonies casting. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.



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In brief



Named and shamed

The Council is committed to cleaning up the borough and wiping out enviro-crime in Waltham Forest. We will be taking tough action against those people who continue to blight our borough, and will name and shame the people we catch treating our borough like a dumping ground. Prosecution against people who commit enviro-crimes will continue until the London 2012 Games, and beyond.

The following people and companies have been successfully prosecuted for enviro-crimes:

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Fly-tipping
The outcome? £100 fine, £300 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Fly-tipping
The outcome? £250 fine, £300 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Fly-tipping
The outcome? £100 fine, £530 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Littering
The outcome? £100 fine, £220 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Unlicensed Street Trading
The outcome? £250 fine, £300 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Fly-tipping
The outcome? £1000 fine, £300 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

Who? xxxxx xxxxxxxx
Where from? xxxxxxxxxx
The offence? Duty of care
The outcome? £250 fine, £300 costs and a £15 victim surcharge

*Residents have a duty of care to ensure that any waste produced by them is disposed of legally. Failure to ensure that waste is correctly disposed of can lead to prosecution if you give waste to someone who then fly-tips if you can be prosecuted.

• To find out more about the Council's award-winning 'We're wiping out enviro-crime' campaign visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/wipeitout Report an enviro-crime by visiting www.walthamforest.gov.uk/report-it or phone Waltham Forest Direct on 0208 8496 3000.



Police Cadets handed out leaflets and community safety advice

Doing our bit during disturbances

- Council keeps streets safe and tidy during disturbances
- Police Cadets show more representative side of young people



Council staff cleaning up Walthamstow town centre after the disturbances

The recent disorder didn't just mean that police had to put in extra time and effort, it also involved increased service from the Council to ensure the borough was safe and tidy.

The Environment team had as many staff as possible available to ensure that mess created by the disorder was cleaned up as soon as possible. They also worked with the police to ensure anything on the streets that might be used as a makeshift

weapon was collected and safely disposed of. In addition to working closely with the police, the Environment team also worked proactively in order to guard against further trouble. "Obviously clearing up the broken glass and debris that the looters left on our streets was one way the Council helped, but it was also the work done while the tension remained that made a difference," explained Cllr Clyde Loakes, Cabinet Member for Environment.

"We suspended building and roadworks so that potentially dangerous material was not on the streets. Our teams were also out and about in the borough removing individual items, such as some scaffold poles that had been left lying around. By removing that sort of thing we were able to discourage further trouble flaring."

Following the disorder, members of the Volunteer Police Cadets and other uniformed youth groups, took to the streets to work with communities to help repair some of the damage inflicted.

In Waltham Forest the Police Cadets, accompanied by Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs), also handed out literature to young people, members of the public, market traders, shop owners and workers in Walthamstow High Street. Joshua Luscombe, 16, of Chingford, Luke Roberts, 16, from Walthamstow and Sherona Bailey, 20, from Walthamstow were one

group out on Wednesday 17 August, accompanied by Kyri Sambridge – a PCSO who volunteers her time with the Police Cadets. Kyri told Waltham Forest News: "It's important to show the positive side of young people in the wake of the disorder."

The group handed out flyers highlighting the 99% Campaign that publicises positive stories about young Londoners. Joshua added: "I think we've given some reassurance to people and have received more 'thank yous' than normal."

More info

For more information the work of the Council's environment team visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/environment or phone 020 8496 3000. For information on the 99% Campaign visit www.99percent.org.uk. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Open for business

- Recent disorder hits borough businesses
- Council organises meeting for those affected



Borough Commander Steve Wisbey talks to a business owner

Around 70 businesses in Waltham Forest were affected by the recent disorder, with both damage to premises and loss of stock to looters happening in various parts of the borough.

The Council contacted businesses to make sure as

much help as possible was made available to those who had been most badly affected by the disorder.

On Thursday 18 August a special meeting, arranged by the Council, took place to bring together all the businesses involved.

The Government has set

aside £20million for a 'High Street Support Scheme' that can be used to provide business rate relief and grants to businesses that have suffered losses as a result of the riots. The Council is already in discussion with Government as to how this can be used to help local businesses.

The Government has also extended the time available for individuals and businesses, both insured and uninsured, to claim compensation under the Riot Act from 14 to 42 days.

In the immediate aftermath of the disorder Cllr Robbins was joined by Chief Executive of Waltham Forest Council Martin Esom and Borough Commander, Steve Wisbey as they visited businesses throughout Waltham Forest.

On a walkabout in

Leytonstone on Thursday 11 August they visited many small businesses and met up with Fawaad Shaikh, Chairman of the E11 Business Improvement District (BID).

"The Council has done everything that can be expected and the police were amazing," Mr Shaikh told Waltham Forest News.

"I was in Walthamstow on Sunday night and saw them arrive in the square to put a stop to the trouble."

More info

For more information on the help Waltham Forest provides to local businesses visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/business. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

In brief

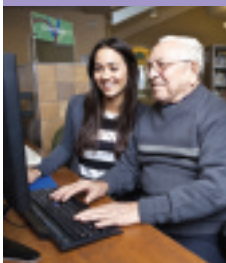


Judges visit village in bloom

Having hosted London in Bloom judges last month, Walthamstow Village welcomed RHS Britain in Bloom judges on Friday 12 August as it represents London in the national competition. Last year Walthamstow Village received a silver-gilt award and was named London's Best Urban Community for the second year running in the London in Bloom competition. This year it will compete on the national stage and Helen Lerner, Chair of Walthamstow Village in Bloom, is confident their hard work has been noted. She said: "The judges were impressed by the amount of volunteer hours put in, the annual events, the number of gardens being tended, the Community Gardens and other displays and the colourfulness and suitability of the plants used." Keep an eye out for future editions of Waltham Forest News to find out how they get on.

• For more information phone Walthamstow Village Residents' Association Environment Committee on 0781 404 2499 or visit www.walthamstowvillage.net.

There's a new way to apply for Council housing.



We are making it simple to apply for housing in the borough with our new online housing application form.

Apply or update your existing application at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/housing

You can access a computer at your local library, WFD Walthamstow and Cedar Wood House.

If you need any advice please contact Waltham Forest Direct on **020 8496 3000**.

There is a wait of many years for Council housing so take a look at the other housing options available first at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/wf-housing-options

What's On

Sports and fitness

Line Dance and Country Music Club

Every Tuesday, 7-11pm.

Walthamstow Trades Hall Club, Tower Hamlets Road, E17 4SB.

Beginner/improver class from 7-8pm costs £4, Improver/intermediate club from 8pm costs £5. Private members club with sprung floor. Fully licensed premises with car park. We also host monthly live country music nights with top British country artists.

For more information Phone Lesley on 07968 036373 or visit www.rockiesandwranglers.co.uk.



Tang Soo Do - Korean martial arts

Wednesdays, 6.30-8pm and

Saturdays, 10am-12noon.

Wednesdays at St Andrews Church Hall, 153 Colworth Road, E11 1JD Saturdays at Leyton Parish Church Hall, Lindley Road, E10 6QT. Traditional Korean martial arts for all ages. £4 per class.

For more information email mr.mislam@gbtsda.com or phone 07989 338879.

Eton Manor Athletics Club group runs

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7.15pm and Sundays, 10.15am.

Marsh Lane, Leyton, E10 7BL.

A friendly running club for people who "Love2Run" in the south of Waltham Forest. Group runs cater for runners and joggers of all standards. Special sessions for beginners are on Tuesdays. You can start on any Tuesday in August. Our qualified Run Leaders will be on hand help you get into shape.

Phone Steve Dunn on 020 8521 2508, e-mail etonmanorac2013@gmail.com, visit www.eton-manor.com or just turn up.

Walthamstow Wolves FC training sessions

Saturdays, 1-2.30pm.

Low Hall Sports Ground, South Access Road, E17 8AX.

Walthamstow Wolves are looking for under 9s and under 12s players for the new season. £3 per training session.

Phone Dominic on 07956 221053 or visit www.walthamstowwolves.webs.com for further information.

Pro Star Football Academy

Saturdays, 10-11am.

Wednesdays 5-6pm.

Goals Soccer Centre, 3 Morrisons Avenue, Chingford E4 8FM.

Football session for children 3 to 5 years of age, £5 per session.

For more information, phone Pro Star football Academy on 0753 558 6027 prostarfootballacademy@live.co.uk

Tai Chi classes

Thursdays, 7.30pm-9pm.

The Studio, Waltham Forest Pool and Track, Chingford Road, Walthamstow E17 5AA.

A friendly tai chi class suitable for adults of all abilities. The syllabus includes: relaxation exercises, body conditioning, forms, meditation, and self defense.

Beginners welcome - just drop in.

For further details visit our website at www.absolutetaichi.co.uk.

Wadham FC – coaches wanted

Wednesday evenings.

Wadham Lodge, Kitchener Road, Walthamstow, E17 4JP.

Wadham FC is looking for Football Coaches to help at training sessions every Wednesday evening throughout the year and Sunday matches from September - May. We have teams from under 7 to under 16 and are looking for either an experienced coach or someone with an interest in football who would like to work with our Head Coach. This would be on a voluntary basis but we are prepared to offer funding to support either a FA Level 1 or Level 2 Coaching Award. We also welcome any Youth Leaders or youths who are interested in gaining some experience.

For more information phone Paula on 07980 347772.

KickStart Girls and Ladies Football Club

Fridays of August, 6-8pm.

Goals Chingford, Morrison Avenue, Chingford, E4 8SN.

We are looking for players to join our new teams and strengthen last year's league and cup winning teams. Kickstart girls is a fast growing new club, with a very strong ambition. Seeking all age groups regardless of ability, from 7 years to adults to

fill vacancies within our under 10, 12, 14, 16 and adult ladies (16+) teams. Trial is free, and £4 per week thereafter.

For further information e-mail Debbie.kickstartsoccer@live.co.uk



Lea Valley Friends Group

Saturday 3 September, 10.30am.

Sheepwash Pond (opposite War Memorial) The Ridgeway, Totteridge and Hertfordshire.

A walk to explore the quiet residential area, rural roads, open fields and woods. First three walks free.

For further information phone 020 8559 1602, email lvfwalkers2001@hotmail.com or visit www.leavalleyfriends.org.uk

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Clubs and community

East London's biggest picnic

Saturday 27 August, 10am.

WaterWorks Nature Reserve, Lammas Road, Off Lea Bridge Road, Leyton E10 7NU.

To celebrate the launch of a brand new wildlife garden Wild Place Your Space is hosting East London's largest ever picnic. Bertie the Bee will be hosting tours of the brand new wildlife garden, bringing people closer to nature and showing families what they can do at home to support and protect the wildlife where they live. There will be free music and entertainment, face painting, seed sowing sessions, wildlife trails, bee keeping and medicinal herbalists on hand to show you how to make your own herbal teas. Join in the fun and bring your brood and a tasty picnic. To find out more phone 020 8525 0547 or email wildplaceyourspace@rspb.org.uk

New women's social group

Wednesday 31 August, 3-4.30pm.

Harmony Hall, 10A Truro Road, Walthamstow, E17 7BY.

Calling all women who are interested in being part of a new social group in Waltham Forest. Come along to the meeting and have a say on what you would like the group to do. Refreshments will be provided.

For more information phone

Jacqui or Janet on 020 8521 2975 or e-mail janet.allman@crestwf.org.uk / jacqui.spence@crestwf.org.uk

Summer Holiday quiz night

Thursday 26 August, 6.30-10pm.

Leytonstone Social Club,

603 High Road,

Leytonstone E11 4PA.

The second in a series of seasonal quiz nights from Transition Leytonstone. Bring your friends, enjoy some delicious Indian food and join in the fun. Test your wits on all the usual subjects, with a few green and seasonal questions thrown in. Food supplied by The Star of India. Tickets cost £8 inclusive of food. Book in advance to guarantee your dinner.

For more information email events@transitionleytonstone.org.uk or phone 07747 014 235.

New community local produce stall

Every Saturday, 11am-3pm.

St John's Church,

Church Lane, Leytonstone.

A stall selling delicious, locally grown organic fruit and vegetables, and other local produce. A partnership between Organiclea and Transition Leytonstone.

For more information email rosbedlow@hotmail.com or phone 020 8556 0885.



Miniature steam and electric train rides

Every Sunday until

25 September, 2-5.30pm.

Ridgeway Park, Peel Close, off Old Church Road, Chingford E4 6XU. Miniature steam train rides at Ridgeway Park every Summer Sunday and Bank holiday Monday afternoon. During the school summer holidays, train rides are also available on Wednesday afternoons. Great for Children and grown ups alike. Train rides are available at 50p

or £1 per person, depending on the train track in use.

For more information visit www.chingford-model-engineering.com or email chairman@chingford-model-engineering.com

Leytonstone Green Drinks

Monday 15 August, 8pm.

The Old Red Lion, 640 High Road, Leytonstone E11 3AA.

Are you green and eco-minded?

Do you want to meet others with the same interests? Then come along on the 15 day of any month and enjoy good company and great beer at the best boozer in Leytonstone.

Phone 07747 014 235 for more information.

Arthritis Care Waltham Forest (South) branch

Last Tuesday of the month, 7-9.30pm.

Jubilee Centre, Cathall Road, Leytonstone E11.

Lots of helpful information, fun and laughter for those suffering from Arthritis. Everyone welcome.

For further information, please phone Mrs Thompson on 01277 372 772.



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Culture and crafts

Luna Fringe

Thursday 25 August, 8pm.

Luna Lounge, 7 Church Lane, Leytonstone, E11 1HG.

An evening of experimental music and poetry. Featuring Luo Chao Yun - Pipa, Clive Bell-Shakuhachi and Noel Taylor-Clarinet. Plus Shabaka Hutchings-Tenor Sax, Jamie Coleman-Trumpet, Dave Tucker-guitar and Tony Marsh-drums. Also including Zolan Quobble as a performance poet. Admission £5 or £4 for concessions. For further details phone 020 8518 7463.

Tina T's Soul and Funk Jam

Thursday 11 August

8pm-midnight.

The Rose and Crown, 53-55

Hoe St, Walthamstow, E17 4SA.

A community jam night run by local musicians for local musicians. Please come and network. Tina T, Walthamstow's own Soul Diva hosts the evening with her house band of professional session musicians. Jammers and singers are then invited from the audience to perform. All music lovers and musicians are welcome. An uplifting night of spontaneous soul and funk. Free Admission. Everyone made welcome.

For more details visit www.youtube.com/thesouldiva69 or www.tinat.vpweb.co.uk



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Creative Writing Workshops

Sunday 18 September to

Sunday 23 October, 11am-1pm.

Orford House Social Club, Orford Road, Walthamstow, E17.

Mendham Writers (mendham-writers.com) present a course of six summer Sunday morning Creative Writing workshops, with Brandon Robshaw, which will take you through the writing process, from getting started to polishing your work. The workshops are suitable for beginners and more experienced writers. Classes cost £95.

To book contact rochellescholar@yahoo.co.uk 07743898043

St Paul's Society Showcase

Friday 9 September, 7.30pm.

United Reformed Church, Buxton Road, Chingford.

Forest Choir is delighted to welcome St Paul's Choral Society from Malta to join them in their first concert of the new season. This Programme

includes works by Handel, Haydn, Elgar and Stanford.
Admission £5 at the door.
For further information phone 020 8520 1135.

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Join College Amateur Operatic Society

Thursdays, 7.30-10pm.
Waltham Forest College, Forest Road, Walthamstow.
College Amateur Operatic Society (CAOS) are recruiting for their Christmas revue taking place early December 2011. If you are a singer/dancer and would like to join a friendly group, get in touch.
Please phone Doreen on 020 8539 9474, email damedoreen@yahoo.co.uk or visit www.collegeoperatic.co.uk.

Sewing, knitting, quilting and crochet classes

Days and time vary.
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For more information visit www.cheekyhandmades.co.uk or contact Jennie on jenniec777@gmail.com or 07944 863932.

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Children and young people

Staying Positive Workshops

Saturday 24 September, 11am-4pm
The Limes Community and Children's Centre, 6 Somers Road, Walthamstow, E17 6RX. Workshops for young people aged 12-18 years living with long-term conditions/disabilities. The workshops build self management skills, confidence and give social support for teenagers. They are run by trained young

people aged 15-25 years who are also living with a condition. Workshops are fun, free and relaxed and always include an activity. Places must be booked in advance.
For more information phone Sharlene Mills, Staying Positive Trainer on 07595 272465 or email Sharlene.mills@eppic.co.uk.



Mini-Me-Sports

Every Wednesday.
Chingford United Reformed Church Every Saturday, Greenleaf Community Centre.
Times vary according to age group – please contact for more information. Fun multi-sport sessions for 2 to 7 year olds. Learn how to develop your child's agility, balance and coordination and their physical skills of catching, throwing, running and jumping. Our experienced coaches are CRB checked, early years trained and qualified PE teachers. £6 per trial session with £30 for 5 sessions payable in advance, with places limited to 16 so please book early to avoid disappointment. All children must be supervised and parents are encouraged to actively support their child.
To find out about times and age groups or to book phone Tanya on 07957 143628 or email at tanirvine@yahoo.co.uk

Baby Massage Group

September, 11am-12noon.
Chingford United Reformed Church, Buxton Road, E4.
£72 for 6 weeks.
For more information phone Arlene Dunkley-Wood on 07976 903003 or email info@yoga4birth.co.uk.

Summer holiday play sessions

Monday 25 July to Friday 30 August, times vary.
Walthamstow Toy Library and Play Centre, Comely Bank Community Clinic, 46 Ravenswood Road, E17 9LY. Activities on offer include Music Makers with Musical Minis, creative dance, making sandwiches, making robots, Pirates and Princesses, messy play, treasure hunt, playing outdoors, Teddy Bears' Picnic,

looking at snails, baby soft play, coffee afternoons and toy loaning. Cost is £2.50 for the first child and 50p for any additional children. The Music Makers and creative dance sessions are special workshops charged at £3 per child. Times of sessions vary depending on age, please check before visiting.
For more information visit www.walthamstowtoylibrary.org or phone 020 8509 3401.

Bongalong

Term time only.
Music, movement, instruments and make-believe for children under five and their carers. Sessions for babies under one also available. Booking essential.
For more information phone Fiona on 07811 460 282 or email fiona.bongalong@gmail.com.

Children and Young People's Directory

Compiled by the Council's Family Information Service (FIS), the directory gives free, impartial advice on childcare, general information on a wide range of services for children, young people and families and lists leisure and recreation activities of all kinds.
For more information visit <http://csd.walthamforest.gov.uk>



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Community Ward Forums

Larkswood and Valley Community Ward Forum

Wednesday 31 August, 7-9pm.
The Brotherhood Hall, 2a Larkswood Road, Chingford, E4 8LP.

Hale End and Highams Park and Hatch Lane Joint Community Ward Forum

Tuesday 6 September, 7-9pm.
Thorpe Hall Primary School, Hale

End Road, Walthamstow, E17 4DP.

Leyton Community Ward Forum

Wednesday 7 September, 7-9pm.
The Pavilion, Leyton Cricket Ground, High Road, E10 6PY.



Forest Community Ward Forum

Thursday 15 September, 6.30-8.30pm.

St Andrew's Church, 153 Colworth Road Leytonstone, E11 1JD.
6.30pm informal talk with Councillors, 7pm-8.30pm meeting.

Leytonstone Community Ward Forum

Wednesday 21 September, 7-9pm.
St John's Church Hall, 825 High Road Leytonstone, E11 1HH.

Markhouse Community Ward Forum

Wednesday 28 September, time tbc.
Edinburgh School, 97 Queens Rd, Walthamstow E17 8QS.
For more information on Community Ward Forums visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/community-ward-forums



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Council Meetings

No meetings until Monday 5 September

Calling all children's groups

We need more of you to tell us what's happening in your children's and young people's groups.

Do you offer activities or run classes? Are you looking for volunteers?

Let us have the details and we'll do our best to include them on our What's On pages. Send them to: walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk

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Borough Commander's view



Borough Commander Steve Wisbey

In the past two weeks I have witnessed some very disturbing scenes and yet I have also been humbled by peoples' generosity. Like other communities across the country, the response to disturbances in Waltham Forest has been outstanding.

I came into work just after midnight on Sunday 7 August as events were beginning to unfold. On TV there was rioting in other parts of London and in our borough people were randomly damaging property and breaking into business premises. That first night saw our local police control room dealing with over 600 calls, where the normal amount is around 150. Officers were responding to numerous serious incidents which included one where two officers were run over by a car.

I have always said it is colleagues that make working for the police special. Over the past weeks I experienced the very best of that; as people had leave cancelled, hours of duty extended and some slept on office floors to reduce traveling time between shifts. Unpaid volunteers and special constables returned from holiday, or took time off work to help. One retired police officer attended a police station to offer assistance and spent the week with us.

Extra logistical staff has been required to manage the 200 patrols that have been carried out across the borough each day. In addition they have coordinated the tasking of detectives seconded to assist the borough with ongoing investigations. Since the disorder began Waltham Forest Police have dealt with an excess of 4100 calls from the public, 950 reported crimes, 16 search warrants and 275 prisoners.

My staff tell me that the kindness of local people has made their job easier. The Council has been very supportive and we have worked together to clear damage, support victims and hold joint community events.

Victims of crime, people in the street and others are calling us to say thank you. Businesses and members of the community have offered refreshments. One hundred volunteers at The Welcome Centre in Walthamstow provided hot and cold refreshments, sleeping facilities and showers. I called in to speak with some of the volunteers and was met by a 3 year old delivering homemade cake.

I would like to thank my staff, partners and members of the community for all their hard work. We are committed to identifying offenders and holding them to account. Whatever the causes of what occurred, it is only by working together that we can make Waltham Forest a safe and prosperous place.



The partners at the launch of the gang prevention project in January 2010

Gang prevention project

- Council seeks government support for innovative gang prevention project
- Project seeks to stop causes of crime as well as criminals themselves

In January Waltham Forest Council launched an innovative gang prevention project with the full support of the Police, Iain Duncan-Smith MP, members of local communities and other local partners

The project is designed to help young people stay away from violent lifestyles and come down hard on the real villains who try and take over their lives.

Six months on, and in the face of disturbances across London, the project is already benefitting residents.

Cllr Chris Robbins, Council Leader, told Waltham Forest News: "Gangs were clearly not the sole problem earlier this month, but the fact that they are so well established allowed the unrest to unfold with a level of speed and organisation which would otherwise have been absent.

"Although the gang prevention project is still in its still early days, this work proved invaluable when the unrest spilled into our borough. Reliable information shared between the Council, police and community sources helped to anticipate some of the trouble. Our community

contacts proved vital and responded to local concerns about safety by reassuring residents and helping diffuse neighbourhood tensions."

The gang prevention project brings together the expertise of the Council, the police, community members, youth workers, schools and housing associations to clamp down on crime and its causes.

The initiative is tailored to those involved and those at risk, whether that means tackling problem areas

or linking people with job opportunities to ensure a viable, crime-free future. The scheme also encourages the active involvement of the local community and neighbourhoods reclaiming areas most affected by gang crime.

The Council is also helping the police to clamp down hard on those involved in gangs, the crimes they commit and the fear they bring to communities.

They are being shown that gang membership is

not a valid or viable 'career choice'. It simply won't be tolerated and if you choose to be associated with a gang in Waltham Forest, you will be called to account for it.

Reducing gang violence is a Council priority and despite making £35m of savings this year, almost £1m of new money has been allocated for this project. Around £900,000 is also being paid to the Mayor of London for additional police officers for Waltham Forest.

However further funding, apart from a £70k contribution from the Mayor of London, has been hard to find. An application for almost £1m of additional Olympic funding for gang crime was unsuccessful.

The Council is asking the government to recognise the importance of close cooperation with communities to address gang problems, and is asking for additional funding to help stamp it out.

Fact file

- Since January the project has worked with 25 high-risk gang members and their families. Seven older gang members are being dealt with through the Priority Offender scheme.
- The Council is supporting local groups to gain funding to support the strategy. Key themes are early intervention, parenting support and personal safety advice.
- Since January police have executed some 50 warrants and made at least 45 gang-related arrests. They have recovered weapons, seized large quantities of cash and drugs, including half a kilo of heroin. Police have done this in partnership with the Council which has brought in housing providers and drug agencies to support the operations.
- Compared to the same six-month period (January – June) last year: incidences of serious youth violence are down by 24%; gun crime down 31%; knife crime down 16% and personal robbery down 11%.
- If you think your child is involved in a gang you can contact the Community Safety team Team on 020 8496 3000.

More info

For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/safety. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Waltham Forest



Boys in brew: local people volunteering at respite centre for emergency services

In brief



Nature reserve's big picnic

To celebrate the launch of new wildlife garden 'Wild Place, Your Space' the WaterWorks Nature Reserve (Lammas Road, off Lea Bridge Road, Leyton E10 7NU) is hosting East London's largest ever picnic on Saturday 27 August.

Colourful mascot Bertie the Bee will be hosting tours of the brand new wildlife garden, bringing people closer to nature and showing families what they can do at home to support and protect the wildlife where they live. There will be free music and entertainment, face painting, seed sowing sessions, wildlife trails, bee keeping and medicinal herbalists on hand to show you how to make your own herbal teas. Join in the fun and bring your family and a tasty picnic from 10am.

• To find out more phone 020 8525 0547 or email wildplaceyourspace@rspb.org.uk

Cuppas for coppers

- Community rallies to support hard-working police
- List of volunteers grows as residents get on the Twitter tip

As local businesses continue their clean-up mission and the debate about the country-wide disorder continues in the papers and on the news, one thing that definitely shouldn't be forgotten was how our local community responded to the unrest.

While one local church organised a vigil to show their community spirit at the former Arcade Site on Wednesday 10 August, another group of residents wanted to keep local police officers fed and watered while they worked long, late hours.

Spurred on by Walthamstow MP Stella Creasy; local volunteer Andy Campbell set about organising a respite centre for tuckered-out coppers at the St Marys Church Welcome Centre in Church End, Walthamstow on

Monday 8 August.

Waltham Forest News went along to see the centre in action. What started out as a small-scale operation rapidly blossomed, as Andy explains: "We went from cups of tea and instant coffee to paninis and jacket potatoes in no time," he says.

Indeed, residents soon rallied to lend a hand and show their appreciation to local police, the list of volunteers snowballing thanks to social networking site Twitter.

"All the stuff about social media being bad – this is the good side of it," explains Andy as he gestures towards a roomful of police officers and local volunteers, not to mention a mouth-watering spread of snacks, meals and drinks. "We've had more than 70 people a night give their time or food or both," he says. "Some



Police Officers thanked generous members of the public who donated food and refreshments

people have done the full five or six hours while people who can't necessarily donate their time because they have kids or other commitments still bake a cake and pop it in. It's all been about local people seeing what they can do and pulling together – residents here have so much initiative."

As if by magic, one local resident arrives at the door with an armload of cakes, asking Andy whether he needs

any help – the online rota is full, she says, but if she's needed she can definitely chip in and lend a hand for an hour or two. Apparently she only moved to the area a little while back, but was happy to help and has enjoyed meeting fellow residents.

Local shops along nearby Orford Road, Andy says, have been a tremendous help, donating food and, in the case of a local florist, even flowers

to brighten up the church hall. It's not just local businesses who've taken up the cause, either: "We've even had the Yorkshire Tea Company donating teabags," notes Andy, lending further credence to his claims about the power and reach of social media.

"We've had quite a lot of young people volunteering, which I think is good for the police to see," adds Andy. "We even had one five-year-old volunteer asking if we could get them a bouncy castle."

While the volunteers weren't, sadly, able to arrange a bouncy castle, the support they've learnt police working 16-hours days for ten days on the trot has been invaluable. "It's been a busy few days," says one officer in what must be the understatement of the year. "Everybody's been working long shifts and leave

has been cancelled, so it's really commendable – I can't believe the support that local people have shown."

As Waltham Forest News puts down its pen, police radios crackle and in a heartbeat all the officers have downed cups and plates and raced out the door. We're not sure if it was something we said, but we're sure that soon enough another drove of hungry police officers will take their place as they take a well-earned break from helping make the borough a safer place.

More info

For more information about volunteering opportunities in Waltham Forest visit www.voluntaryaction.net. Free internet access is available in all of the borough's libraries.

Young People

In brief



Charity cook book

Norlington School pupils have been congratulated for their creativity and dedication in designing and producing a cook book as part of an 'Apprentice' style competition. The boys not only had to come up with the recipes and put them together in a fully designed book, but they also had to pitch their idea with a marketing strategy and profit margin analysis to a panel of judges that included editors from two major publishing houses. The winning entry – 'The Core Cook Book' – is full of simple tasty recipes that reflect the ethnic diversity of the school. Copies will be sold at school events in September to raise money for the East Africa Appeal that is alleviating suffering from the drought in Somalia.

• **The Core Cookbook will be sold to parents and staff at the school's Year 6 Open Evening (Wednesday 28 September), the Celebration Evening (Wednesday 14 September) and the Community Fun Day (Saturday 24 September).**



Young volunteers win award

A group of young people from Waltham Forest were honoured at a ceremony last month in recognition of the time they volunteered to make a positive difference to their community. The event was organised by Envision – a charity set up to challenge the stereotype of young people as apathetic and disengaged. The charity supports 16-19 year olds to design their own local community projects tackling issues ranging from street crime to climate change. Waltham Forest youngsters received the Legacy Champion Award for their project highlighting the importance of sustainable actions. Team Leader Mohammed Naheem Ashraf told Waltham Forest News: "We joined forces with the Police and Walthamstow Cricket Club to host a multi-cultural festival fun day. "The aim of our project has been to promote sustainability among the youth and we thought the best way to do this was through music and fashion." The team organised a community fete, at which they encouraged people to recycle and conserve natural resources such as water and electricity. The group organised performers and entertainers to attend, as well as running stalls highlighting how to decrease your environmental impact. One of the highlights of the day was the fashion show that presented a range of fashion designed from recycled clothing. Rashida Khanom, 16, said, "We wanted our project to do something for the community and give something back. We wanted to show young people care. It's been an amazing experience. I feel like we've really achieved something."

• **Envision are recruiting Team Mentors for the new schools programme. If you have two hours a week to spare then get in touch with Julia at julia@envision.org.uk.**



Radio courses, football sessions, extended Youth Bus hours and arts courses are all on offer thanks to the improved Summer University scheme

Extra places at Summer University

- Council extends free Summer University programme for 13-19 year olds
- Get in touch now to find out what's happening

Over the school summer holidays thousands of young people living in Waltham Forest have already taken full advantage of the Summer Daze scheme which offers three to 19 year olds hundreds of activities and events.

And now, thanks to the overwhelming success of the programme, the Council has announced that the Summer University programme for 13-19 year olds will be extended for a further two weeks.

The Council was also responding to concerns raised during the disturbances about activities for young people and took a quick decision to make sure anyone who had missed out on Summer University could take part.

Thirty four schools have already been opened over summer.

Cllr Chris Robbins, Council Leader, told Waltham Forest News: "I am delighted that we

have extended the Summer University to offer an extra 500 young people the opportunity to take part.

"We all know how hard it can be for families to keep young people entertained over the holidays, so the Council has invested significantly to make sure young people have plenty to do over the summer."

All Summer University courses are free and available to young people aged 13-19 who live or go to school in

Waltham Forest.

Confirmed extra activities on offer include radio and broadcasting courses from Tuesday 30 August to Friday 3 September and drama workshops taking place from Monday 22 August to Friday 26 August.

There will also be street dance and Indian dance sessions, sports and work out programmes, Salaam Peace Football every Thursday and hairdressing courses.

The Waltham Forest Youth Bus, which offers young people IT facilities, gaming, information, a chill zone, sexual health advice and music will be stopping at Atlee Terrace, Marsh Lane, Chingford Hall, Cann Hall, The Avenue and Boundary Road until the end of the summer holidays.

Extra sessions will also be running at youth facilities in Higham Hill Park and Cann Hall Park.

Everyone who attends a Summer University activity will be invited to a 'graduation' ceremony in November.

Summer University will now continue until Friday 3 September.

Extra Summer University activities will now include:

- Two radio and broadcasting courses.
- Drama and theatrical arts workshops.
- Indian dance and street dance sessions.
- Sport and work out programmes.
- Salaam Peace Football.
- Hairdressing courses.
- The Waltham Forest Youth Bus will visit Atlee Terrace, Marsh Lane, Chingford Hall, Cann Hall, The Avenue and Boundary Road until the end of the summer holidays.
- Extra sessions will run at youth facilities in Higham Hill Park and Cann Hall Park.

More info

To find out when and where the extra activities will be taking place, phone **020 8496 3000** or visit **www.walthamforest.gov.uk/summerdaze**

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1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest, HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that it intends making an Order to enable road resurfacing works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in a certain section of Auckland Road, the general effect of which would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to close to vehicles (except works vehicles) in this section of Auckland Road.
2. Whilst the works are being carried out, no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter or wait for any purpose, at any time, in that section of Auckland Road, which lies between a point 10 metres northwest of the northwestern kerb-line of Dunedin Road and a point 68 metres northwest of that kerb-line.
3. Whilst the prohibitions referred to above remain in force, appropriate traffic signs would indicate alternative routes for traffic.
4. Vehicles waiting in disregard of this Order will be removed.
5. The prohibition mentioned above shall not apply in relation to any vehicle being used -
 - (a) in connection with the said works; or
 - (b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency, if the works allow.
6. The Order would come into operation on 5th September 2011 and would be valid for a maximum period of 14 months or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

Dated: 22 August 2011
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure,
Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue,
London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 - SECTION 14(1) (HIGH ROAD LEYTON AREA, IMPROVEMENT WORKS) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC AND RESTRICTION ON WAITING AND LOADING) ORDER 2011

1. The Council of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that it intends making an Order to enable carriageway resurfacing and footway enhancement works to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner in certain roads, the general effect of which would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to prohibit vehicles (except works vehicles) and restrict waiting and loading by vehicles (except works vehicles) suspend parking places, taxi ranks, pedestrian crossings, bus lanes, bus stops and bus stands and existing one way traffic operations, and ban certain traffic movements in the following roads .
2. Whilst the works are being carried out: -
 - (a) no person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed, wait or load for any purpose, at any time, in that section of MAJOR ROAD that lies between its junction with Colegrave Road and Crownfield Road and that section of TEMPLE MILLS LANE, between its junction with High Road Leyton and Leyton Road and those parking places, loading places, pedestrian crossings, bus lanes, bus stops or bus stands along these lengths shall be suspended;
 - (b) during the period of works appropriate diversions will be signed along LEYTON ROAD, CHOBHAM ROAD, HIGH ROAD LEYTONSTONE, CATHALL ROAD AND GROVE GREEN ROAD, although not exclusively, and will be indicated with the appropriate signage when necessary.
3. Whilst the prohibitions referred to in paragraph 2 above remain in force, traffic signs would indicate alternative routes for traffic.
4. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.

5. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used -
 - (a) in connection with the said works; or
 - (b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency, if the works allow.
6. The Order would come into operation on 29 August 2011 and would be valid for a maximum period of 14 months or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

NOTE: These works are part of general improvements in High Road Leyton. It is not intended that works be carried out simultaneously along the whole length of High Road Leyton but in a sequence as directed by Council Leaflets to be distributed and the appropriate signage to be placed in advance of any works in the above mentioned roads which would give more specific details on the exact dates of the prohibitions, effects of any temporary traffic management and diversion routes as necessary.

Dated: 22 August 2011
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure,
Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue,
London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST INTRODUCTION OF LOADING ONLY BAY ON HIGH ROAD LEYTONSTONE AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS ON LEA BRIDGE ROAD THE WALTHAM FOREST: (FREE LOADING) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) ORDER 2011 (FREE PARKING PLACES) (SHORT STAY) (AMENDMENT NO. 1) ORDER 2011 (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. 4) ORDER 2011

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on 22 August 2011, made the above-mentioned Order and introduce pedestrian crossings under sections 6, 61 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
2. The general effect of the Order will be to introduce a: -
 - (a) loading only bay Monday to Saturday 7am to 7pm, on the north-west side of Lea Bridge Road adjacent to the proposed Limited Waiting Bay;
 - (b) limited waiting parking Monday to Saturday 7am to 7pm, maximum stay 2 hours, no return within 4 hours on the north-west side of Lea Bridge Road outside No. 439 Lea Bridge Road and on both sides of Northumberland Road from a point approximately 8 metres north-west of its junction with Lea Bridge Road for a distance of 15 metres; and
 - (c) waiting restriction Monday to Saturday 7am to 10am on the north-west side of High Road Leytonstone opposite Nos. 567 and 571 High Road Leytonstone.
3. Copies of the Orders, which will come into operation on 29 August 2011 and other relevant documents can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the expiration of a period of 6 weeks from that date, at: (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; (b) The Waltham Forest Direct Shop, 265 Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, E4 8LP; and (c) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.
4. Any person desiring to question the validity of the Orders or of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the relevant powers of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any of the relevant requirements thereof or of any relevant regulations made thereunder has not been complied with in relation to the Orders may, within six weeks of the making of the Orders, make application for the purpose to the High Court.

For more information please telephone 020 8496 3000 quoting reference 2011T20

Dated: 22 August 2011
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure,
Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue,
London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST AMENDMENT TO/INTRODUCTION OF FREE LOADING PLACES, FREE SHORT TERM PARKING PLACES AND WAITING RESTRICTIONS – CEDARS AVENUE, CHINGFORD MOUNT ROAD, RICHMOND CLOSE, STAFFA ROAD AND THE BROADWAY E4 THE WALTHAM FOREST (FREE LOADING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO. 3) ORDER 2011 (FREE PARKING PLACES) (SHORT STAY) (AMENDMENT NO. 2) ORDER 2011 (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. 5) ORDER 2011

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest on 22 August 2011 made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended.
2. The general effect of the Orders would be: -
 - (a) in relation to free loading places to extend the operational hours of certain loading places in The Broadway E4 from operating between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays to operating between 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays;
 - (b) in relation to free parking places, to introduce 2 free parking places in Staffa Road, operating between 8 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Mondays to Saturdays with a maximum stay period of 30 minutes and a no return time of 2 hours;
 - (c) in relation to waiting and loading restrictions, to:-
 - i. introduce new waiting restrictions, operating "at any time" into an un-named access road in Cedars Avenue and a certain section of Richmond Close;
 - ii. reduce the length of existing waiting restrictions operating "at any time" in a certain section of Staffa Road;
 - iii. amend the Council's traffic Order definitions in relation to waiting and loading restrictions in Chingford Mount Road (this would mean that the current locations and the hours of operation of the waiting and loading restrictions would not change).
3. Copies of the Order, which will come into operation on 22 August 2011 and other relevant documents can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the expiration of a period of 6 weeks from that date, at:- (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; (b) The Waltham Forest Direct Shop, 265 Chingford Mount Road, Chingford, E4 8LP; and (c) Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.
4. Any person desiring to object to any of the Orders or to make any other representation should send a statement in writing of either their objection and the grounds thereof or of their representation to Traffic Orders, Engineering Design, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS by the end of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

For more information please telephone 020 8496 3000 quoting reference 2011T05

Dated: 22 August 2011
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure,
Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue,
London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST LINING OPERATION WORKS THE LONDON BOROUGH WALTHAM FOREST (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF PARKING) ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 SECTION 14 ORDER 20**

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that to facilitate LINING OPERATION WORKS on the roads mentioned in paragraph 2 they intend to make a temporary ORDER, the effect of which will be to PROHIBIT PARKING on the roads mentioned in paragraph 2. Whilst the works take place no person may permit a vehicle to be parked on:
ASCHAM END, E17; BARCLAY ROAD, E17; BOURNE GARDENS, E4; BRIDGE END, E17; BRISBANE ROAD, E10; CATHALL ROAD, E11; CHENEY ROW, E17; CHINGDALE

ROAD, E4; CHURCH AVENUE, E4; CLARENCE, E17; COLLEGE GARDENS, E4; DURBAN ROAD, E17; ELMFIELD ROAD, E4; ESKINE ROAD, E17; FOREST DRIVE, IG8; FOREST GLADE, E4; FRIDAY HILL EAST, E4; GLENDOWER ROAD, E4; GOLDSMITH ROAD, E17; GROVE GREEN, ROAD, E11; KIMBERLEY ROAD, E17; LANCASTER ROAD, E17; LARKSHALL ROAD, E4; LOWTHER ROAD, E17; LOWTHER, E17; LYNTON ROAD, E4; MAIDA AVENUE, E4; MANSFIELD HILL, E4; MARLOWE ROAD, E17; MARMION AVENUE, E4; MAYFIELD ROAD, E4; MAYFIELD ROADS, E17; MAYNARD ROAD, E17; MIDDLETON AVENUE, E4; NEWMAN ROAD, E17; OAK HILL, IG8; ORFORD ROAD, E17; PARKHILL ROAD, E4; RAVENSWOOD ROAD, E17; RENSBURG ROAD E17; RICHMOND ROAD, E4; SALOP ROAD E17; SEYMOUR ROAD, E4; SHAKESPEARE ROAD, E17; SHERNALL STREET, E17; SOUTHCOTE ROAD, E17; STATION ROAD, E4; SUMMIT ROAD, E17; SUNSET AVENUE, E4; TAMWORTH AVENUE, IG8; THE AVENUE, E4; THE CHARTER ROAD, IG8; THOMAS JACOMB PLACE, E17; UNDERWOOD ROAD, E4; UN-NAMED ROAD LOCATED BETWEEN NOS. 6 AND 8 WILMOT ROAD, E10; UN-NAMED ROAD LOCATED BETWEEN NOS. 86 AND 88 WOOD STREET, E17; UN-NAMED ROAD LOCATED BETWEEN NOS. 2 –10 AND 12 –16 WALNUT ROAD, E10; VALLENTIN ROAD, E17; WALNUT ROAD, E10; WILMOT ROAD, E10; WINDSOR ROAD, E10 & WOOD STREET, E17.

3. Nothing in the Order will apply to:
 - (a) any vehicle being used in connection with the execution of the said works or any public or utility vehicle;
 - (b) anything done with the permission or at the direction of a Police Constable in uniform or a Traffic Warden; and
 - (c) emergency service vehicles, subject to site conditions at the time of any emergency.
 4. The parking arrangements specified will apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.
 5. The temporary restrictions or prohibitions imposed by the ORDER will come into effect on MONDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2011. The works are anticipated to be in progress for a period of 6 MONTHS, i.e. until MARCH 2012. The hours of the main works are from 6am and 6pm. The Order will remain in force for a period of 8 months, to allow for unexpected events and possible remedial works, whichever is the earlier.
 6. Any vehicle parked or waiting in contravention of any restriction or prohibition imposed by the Order may be removed under the provisions of the Removal and Disposal of Vehicles Regulations 1986.
- These works are to facilitate lining of waiting restrictions at junction and lengths of roads as mentioned above, in compliance with public notice made on 3 JUNE 2011, advertised in WFN 6 JUNE 2011.

Dated: 22 August 2011
Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure,
Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue,
London, E10 7AS

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST PUBLIC NOTICE OF MODIFICATION ORDER Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Footpath: Hale End Road to Woodstock Road E17 Definitive Map and Statement for the London Borough of Waltham Forest (Part) Modification No.1 Order 2011

1. The above Order, made on 25th July 2011, if confirmed as made, will modify the Definitive Map and Statement for London Borough of Waltham Forest (Part) by adding to the routes where public rights exist or are reasonably alleged to exist.
- Below is a schedule of the route to be added to the Definitive Map and Statement:**
- Path No.**
308
- Location**
That area between Hale End Road and Woodstock Road
a) south of the southern boundary of No 2 Hale End Road E17 for a width of 2.0m as measured from the southern

boundary wall of No 2 Hale End Road, to a point in line with the extended joint boundary of No 959 and 961 Forest Road E17

b) east of the joint boundary of 959 and 961 Forest Road E17 and south of the extended southern boundary of No 2 Hale End Road E17 for a width of 5.3 metres throughout, eastward from the joint boundary of 959 and 961 Forest Road E17

c) south of the southern boundary of No 1 Woodstock Road E17 from Woodstock Road to a point 5.3 metres east of the joint boundary of 959 and 961 Forest Road E17 having a width throughout of 0.9 metres.

A copy of the Order and the Order Plans may be seen free of charge between the hours of 9am to 5pm during the period commencing on 22nd August 2011 and ending on 3rd October 2011 at the following location:

• Sycamore House, London Borough of Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 4JF

Copies of the Order and the Order Plan may be obtained at the above location for no charge.

Any representation or objection relating to the Order must be sent in writing to the Head of Highways & Infrastructure, London Borough of Waltham Forest, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, Leyton, E10 7AS not later than 3rd October 2011 and applicants are requested to state the grounds on which it is made.

If no representations or objections are duly made to the Order, or if any so made are withdrawn, London Borough of Waltham Forest, instead of submitting the Order to the Secretary of State may itself confirm the Order. If the Order is submitted to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs, any representations or objections which have been duly made and not withdrawn will be sent with it.

Dated: 22 August 2011

Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Public Realm, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

Planning

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENTS) REGULATIONS 2007 PROPOSED DIRECTION UNDER REGULATION 7 IN RESPECT OF ADVERTISEMENTS WITHIN CLASS 3A OF SCHEDULE 3

1. On 22 August 2011, representations were made by the London Borough of Waltham Forest to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government requesting him to direct that the provisions of Class 3A of Schedule 3 of the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007, shall not apply to the sale or letting of premises or land in the following roads, namely: -

- Forest Road;
- Hoe Street;
- Lea Bridge Road;
- High Road Leyton; and
- High Road Leytonstone.

2. The effect of the Direction would be that the display of advertisements relating to the sale or letting of premises or land in these areas could not be undertaken unless express

consent is first obtained from the Council.

3. A copy of the proposed Direction and a copy of the maps defining the areas to which the Direction would relate, may be inspected, without payment, at the following location: LBWF, Sycamore House, Town Hall Complex, Forest Rd, Walthamstow E17 4JF, between 0900 hours and 1700 hours Monday to Friday.

4. The application is to be decided following the consideration of written statements from the parties and a site visit by an Inspector. Please send your written comments to Communities and Local Government, Planning System Improvement Division, Floor 1/J3 Eland House, Bressenden Place, London SW1E, to arrive no later than 19 September 2011 and quoting reference number WF/REG7/11/8. The Inspectorate will pass your letter to the Inspector dealing with the application, provided that it arrives by 19 September 2011.

Dated: 22 August 2011

Keith Hanshaw, Director of Public Realm, London Borough of Waltham Forest, Low Hall Depot, South Access Rd, Walthamstow. E17

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL DEVELOPMENT PROCEDURE) ORDER 1995 - NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required.

APPL.NO 2011/0984/OUT

APPLICANT Industrial Property Management Limited

ADDRESS Webbs Industrial Estate, 108 Blackhorse Lane & 47 Sutherland Road, Walthamstow, London E17 6BH

PROPOSAL Outline planning permission for the comprehensive redevelopment of the land known as Webbs Industrial Estate to comprise a mixed use scheme including the demolition of existing buildings and associated structures, the alteration of the highways, engineering and construction of new buildings and structures to provide an indicative total of 28,595 sq.m (excluding basement) comprising "Artisan" workshops (Use Class B1), retail (Use Class A1/A2/A3), 252 no. residential dwellings (Use Class C3), an energy centre, creation of 143 no. basement and grade car parking spaces, landscaping, creation new public realm and associated works.

APPL.NO 2011/0957

APPLICANT M & G Property Fund

ADDRESS Units 1- 4, Cork Tree Retail Park, Cork Tree Way Chingford E4

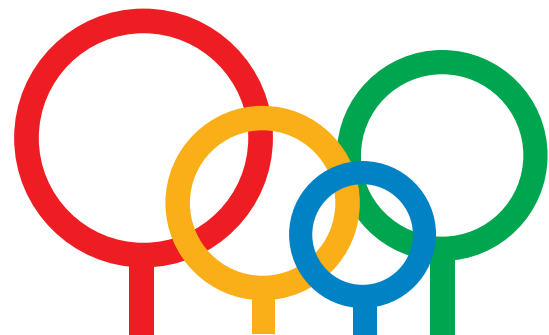
PROPOSAL Refurbishment of retail park comprising external alterations to all units, internal alterations to unit sizes, mezzanine floors to units 3, 4 and AA, improvements to car park and pedestrian routes and relocation of car storage use.

The application is open to inspection by the Public at the offices of the Development Management, Sycamore House, Town Hall Complex, Forest Road, London E17 4JF between the hours of 9.00a.m. - 5.00p.m. Monday to Friday. Any representations relating to the application should be made in writing to the Planning Division within 21 days of the date of this Notice.

Dated this day 22 August 2011

David Scourfield – Head of Development Management On Behalf of London Borough of Waltham Forest

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